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MANILA FOR USDEL WFC

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- 1. ON JUNE 10, ROBERT WSIFT, DEPUTY SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRY AND LIKELY CHIEF AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE TO WFC MEETING IN MANILA, CALLED EMBOFF TO REQUEST EMBASSY ASK DEPARTMENT TO KEEP HIM IN TOUCH WITH MAJOR LINES OF THINKING WASHINGTON MAY BE DEVELOPING FOR FORTHCOMING WFC CONFERENCE IN MANILA.
- 2. SWIFT SAID FOR EXAMPLE, THAT TANCO UNDER IMPRESSION THAT AGRICULTURE SECRETARY BERGLAND LIKELY MAKE MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING GRAIN RESERVES AT CONFERCNE.
- 3. SWIFT ALSO SAID HE HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT SECRETARIAT IN ROME HAD SUBMITTED TO WASHINGTON A DRAFT COMMUNIQUE FOR APPROVAL. SWIFT SAID HE WOULD BE VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WASHINGTON'S REACTIONS TO THIS DOCUMENT.

- 4. SWIFT WILL BE ARRIVING MANILA ON JUNE 17 AND WOULD BE HAPPY DISCUSS CONFERENCE WITH US DEL ON JUNE 18 OR 19.
- 5. SUBSEQUENT TO THE DRAFTING OF THE FOREGOING, SWIFT CALLED AGAIN TO SAY THAT AFTER RECEIPT OF NEWS OF SECRETARY OF

AGRICULTURE BERGLAND'S PLANS FOR MANILA, MINISTER SINCLAIR HAD AGAIN REVIEWED THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS ALSO ATTENDING FOR A DAY OR SO, BUT THAT HE RELUCTANTLY FORCED CONCLUDE IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM BE OUT OF AUSTRALIA AT THAT TIME. SWIFT WILL THUS LEAD AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION. ALSTON

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